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Lisbon, Sept. 9. O. S.

AN Expreſs come hither from *Medina Sidonia*, not far from Port *St. Mary's*, with Letters of the 1ſt Inſtant, O. S. hath brought us the following News, That his Grace the Duke of *Ormond* having taken poſſeſſion of Port *St. Mary's*, marched thence, with the Forces under his Command, to a City called *Puerto Real* on the inſide of the Bay of *Cadiz*, and became Maſter of it; the only remaining Place of Importance on that ſide is the Puntal called the *Mattagorda*, which had been battered ſeveral days by Sea and Land, and could not probably hold out above a day or two: The taking of it will facilitate the Entrance into the Harbour of *Cadiz*, although the French, as it is ſaid, have ſunk ſeveral great Gallions in the Paſſage between the two Caſtles: There where then in the Harbour two *Spaniſh* and three *French* Men of War, and eight *French* Gallies. The ſame Letters adviſed, that they had attacked *Cadiz* by Sea, having battered the new Works, and thrown a great many Bombs into the Place with good Succeſs, to the great Conſternation of the Inhabitants, eſpecially on the day and night of the 1ſt of *September*, when the Expreſs came away, inſomuch that the *Spaniard* who wrote the Letter likened it to the Day of Judgment. Here is News, that on the 2d the Duke took that Puntal which is called the *Mattagorda*, which is very probable, and it is confidently reported, that the *Engliſh* have got 400 Horſe, which they have mounted there; And it is certain, that the Fleet has taken a great many Ships ſince its Arrival in thoſe Parts. All Relations agree, that the Duke of *Ormond* has uſed all the *Spaniards* with great Civility, and kept the Army in an exact Diſcipline, only at Port *St. Mary's*, the Soldiers finding that Place wholly abandoned by the Inhabitants, with the Governor-General of *Andaluſia* forced away on pain of Death, leaving their Houſes furniſhed, and their Cellars full of Wine, they could not be kept altogether in the ſame Order there as they had been before in other Places, and as they were afterwards at *Puerto-Reale*, which, altho' in like manner, and under the ſame Penalty abandonded by the Inhabitants, was yet by the Orders which his Grace had given, and by the Care and Diligence of the Officers, preſerved from Plunder.

Venice, Sept. 15. *N. S.* They write from the Veronete, that a Reinforcement of 1300 Men came thither laſt week in their March to join the Imperial Army commanded by Prince Eugene, which, according to our laſt Accounts, was ſtill encamped near Luzzara; the French alſo continuing in their Camp near that place. The Town of Guaſtalla ſurrendered to the French upon Articles the 9th Inſtant.

Stockholm Sept. 6. Letters from Dorpt in Livonia of the 22d, and from Revel of the 24th paſt, give an Account, That the Muſcovites had attacked Marienbourg, a ſmall Place near the River Duna, but had been repulſed, and that Major-General Schlippenbach having got together a Body of Men near Pernau, was marched from thence towards the Enemy. In Ingermanland Major-General Cronihorſt had been again attacked by the Muſcovites in his Poſt at Saritz, but had beaten them off, and killed them 700 Men.

Francfort, Sept. 24. The Imperial Army continues encamped near Croonweiſſembourg; and a Detachment of ſeveral Regiments of Horſe and Foot has been ſent from thence over the Rhine to obſerve the Motions of the Elector of Bavaria's Forces, who we hear have Orders to march towards the Upper Rhine. Prince Lewis of Baden is marching with another Detachment 15000 ſtrong towards Fort Louis, which Place, it is ſaid, the Imperialiſts intend to bombard, and to keep it block'd up during the Winter. Marſhal Catinat is retired with his Army under the Cannon of Strasbourg.

Hamburgh, Sept. 26. Our Advices from Cracow ſay, they have now a very good proſpect of a Peace, and this the more becauſe the Emperor's Miniſter having been in private with the King of Sweden near an hour, had obtained his Conſent to a Ceſſation of Arms for 3 days, ſo that it is hoped before this Term is expired further Advances will be made towards an Accommodation, to which the Swedes may be induced by the Conſideration of the Strength of the Muſcovites in Livonia, the miſchief they have done there by ruining a great part of that Country, and the Apprehenſions of what they may do further, there not being a ſufficient ſtrength in thoſe parts to oppoſe them. It's ſaid, above 20000 of them are got into Courland, and march towards Lithuania to join Oginsky. The King of Sweden continues with his Army at Cracow, and Count Guldenſtern with the Forces under his Command lies encamped about 3 Leagues from that Place, for their better Conveniency of getting Forage and Proviſions.

From the Camp of the Allies before Venlo, *September* 24. The 23d Inſtant, we made Rejoycings for the taking of *Landau*, and all our Cannon and ſmall Arms being diſcharged upon that occaſion, the beſieged (upon a ſuppoſition, as it is ſaid, that we were going to make a General Aſſault upon the Town) beat a Parley, which the Prince of *Naſſau Saarbruck*, our General, having granted, and Hoſtages being given on both ſides, the beſieged propoſed ſeveral Conditions, as, *That they ſhould be conducted to* Ruremonde, *and ſhould carry with them* 10 *Braſs Cannons*, 24 *Pounders, and* 6 *Braſs Mortars*; *That* 400 *Wagons, whereof* 50 *to be covered, and not to be ſearched, ſhould be furniſhed them for their ſick and wounded, and their Bagage*; *That the Governor and Garriſon of Fort* St. Michael, *and all other Priſoners taken on either ſide during the Siege ſhould be ſet at liberty*; *That* 6 *months time ſhould be allowed them to ſell off ſuch Eſtates, Goods, and other Effects as they ſhould leave behind them*; *That they ſhould not be ſtopt on account of any Debts, or under any other pretence whatſoever*; *And that they ſhould evacuate the Place within thrice* 24 *hours, and ſhould deliver up one of the City Gates an hour before they marched out, and not ſooner.* But theſe Articles were refuſed, and others agreed upon, the chief whereof are, *That the Garriſon be conducted under a Guard by the ſhorteſt way in* 8 *days time to* Antwerp; *That they ſhall march out with their Arms and Bagage, Drums beating, Trumpets ſounding, Colours flying*, &c. *That Boats ſhall be provided for their ſick and wounded, and ſuch Bagage as they can beſt be without, and* 100 *Carts, or as many as can be got, to carry their Proviſions, and more neceſſary Bagage*; *That the Priſoners on either ſide ſhall be ſet at liberty, thoſe of Fort* St. Michael *excepted*; *That two months time ſhall be allowed them to ſell off ſuch Effects as they leave behind*; *That none of them ſhall be ſtopt on account of their Debts, provided they give ſufficient Security to their Creditors*; *That the Town ſhall not be plundered, nor the Inhabitants moleſted in the Enjoyment of their Rights or Privileges*; *That the Garriſon ſhall evacuate the Place the 25th Inſtant, at* 8 *or* 9 *in the morning, and ſhould deliver up one of their Gates yeſterday before Sun-ſet*; *And that the French Commiſſaries ſhould immediately deliver to the Officers appointed by our General the Keys of all the Magazines, and an exact Account of all the Proviſions and Ammunition therein contained, and ſhould diſcover to them all the Mines which the Beſieged had made.* Four Regiments of Foot are appointed to remain in Gariſon at *Venlo*, and the reſt of the Forces which have been employed in this Siege are preparing to beſiege *Ruremonde*, and *Stevenſwaert* will be attacked at the ſame time by a Detachment of the Army of the Allies commanded by the Earl of *Marlborough*.

From the Camp of the Allies at Soutendael, *September* 25. The 22d Inſtant, in the evening, the two Lines of the Army and the Artillery being drawn out, made a triple Diſcharge of the Cannon and ſmall Arms, for the taking of *Landau*. The 23d, in the morning, the Earl of *Marlborough* received an Account by Expreſs, that the Town of *Venlo* capitulated the evening before, and laſt night his Excellency had Advice, that the Gariſon marched out yeſterday morning towards *Antwerp*, whither they are to be conducted. His Excellency has given Orders for attacking *Ruremonde* and *Stevenſweert* both together; for which purpoſe 12 Squadrons of Horſe commanded by the Count *de Noyelles*, a Brigadier-General, were detached from hence the 23d to inveſt the laſt of theſe places, and yeſterday